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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE DELIVERED ON FEMIP LOAN TO SYRIA

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Classified By: Ambassador Ronald L. Schlicher; Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

11. (C) On December 28, Poloff delivered the reftel demarche concerning The Facility for Euro-Mediterranean Investment and Partnership's (FEMIP) loan to Syria to Stelios Makriyiannis in the MFA's Political Affairs Division. Makriyiannis had no substantive response, but promised to pass the message forward for consideration. Post also delivered the message to Christos Patsalides, the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance. There was no response,

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but Post intends to follow up with the MOF at a working level.  
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